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RESPONSE

Sir:

Applicant requests consideration of the pending claims in the above-identified patent application based on the remarks herein.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

An Appendix with cited articles is attached following page 17 of this paper.